

**MINUTES OF MEETING**  
**PUBLIC DEFENDER SERVICES COMMISSION**  
**MARCH 5, 2013**

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The meeting of the Public Defender Services Commission was convened at 4:35 p.m., in the conference room, at the Office of Chief Public Defender, Hartford, Connecticut.

**Members Present**

Thomas J. Rechen, Esq., **Chair**  
Honorable Julia DiCocco Dewey  
Monsignor William A. Genuario  
Aimee Golbert, LCSW  
Honorable John W. Pickard

**Others Present**

Susan O. Storey, Chief Public Defender  
Brian S. Carlow, Deputy Chief Public Defender  
Nancy M. Roberts, Director of Human Resources  
Deborah Del Prete Sullivan, Legal Counsel  
Leslie K. Cavanagh, Public Defender  
Waterbury Judicial District  
Ellen F. Knight, Chief Investigator  
Office of Chief Public Defender, Hartford

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to go into Executive Session at 4:36 p.m. The reason for convening in Executive Session was in accordance with Section 1-200(6)(A) of the Connecticut General Statutes.

The Commission came out of Executive Session at 5:45 p.m.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to appoint Catherine M. Harkness to the position of Investigator II, Waterbury Judicial District. The effective date of the appointment is at the discretion of the Chief Public Defender.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to approve the minutes of the February 5, 2013 meeting.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to reappoint the following attorneys to a new four-year term: Director of Juvenile Delinquency Defense and Child Protection Services, Christine P. Rapillo, Office of Chief Public Defender, Hartford, expiring on 3/3/17; Assistant Public Defender, Dawn M. Bradanini, Geographical Area 10 (New London), expiring on 3/18/17; Assistant Public Defender, Sanford O. Bruce, Geographical Area 23 (New Haven), expiring on 3/18/17; and Senior Assistant Public Defender, Christine E. Schwartzstein, Geographical Area 20 (Norwalk), expiring on 3/24/17.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to divide the list of permanent statuses.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to grant permanent status to Supervisory Assistant Public Defender, Jonathan C. Newman, Hartford Community Court, upon the successful completion of his promotional probationary period.

The Chief Public Defender discussed the retirements of Public Defender, Ramon Canning, Windham Judicial District/Geographical Area 11 and Public Defender, Miles Gerety, Danbury Judicial District/Geographical Area 3.

The Chief Public Defender further discussed the outside employment request of Supervisory Assistant Public Defender, M. Elizabeth Reid, Geographical Area 20 (Norwalk).

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to approve the outside employment request of Supervisory Assistant Public Defender, M. Elizabeth Reid, Geographical Area 20 (Norwalk).

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to go back into Executive Session at 5:56 p.m. The reason for convening in Executive Session was in accordance with Section 1-200(6)(A) and Section 1-210(b)(10) of the Connecticut General Statutes.

The Commission came out of Executive Session at 6:15 p.m.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to approve the schedule of invoices as submitted to the Commission.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED to approve the Authorizations to Incur Expenses as submitted to the Commission. Commission member, Honorable Julia DiCocco

Dewey abstained from the vote in the matter of State vs. Eduardo Santiago.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to ratify the Authorization to Incur Expenses that was approved by Chairman Rechen in the matter of Reynaldo Arroyo vs. Warden.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to not extend the probationary period or grant permanent status to an employee of the Division.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 6:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian S. Carlow  
Deputy Chief Public Defender